

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In this response, claims 1, 4 – 8, 11 – 15, and 18 – 21 have been amended. Applicants submit that the claims, as amended, are in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims.

RESPONSE TO § 102 REJECTIONS

In the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 1 – 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,475,743 to Nixon et al. (hereinafter, “Nixon”).

To anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claim. “A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference.” *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987).

Independent Claims 1, 8 and 15, as amended, are not anticipated by Nixon, because Nixon does not disclose each and every limitation of claims 1, 8 and 15.

Applicant submits that claim 1, as amended, is not anticipated by Nixon. Claim 1, as amended, states:

A method comprising:

parsing a message received by a first communication device to extract an incomplete addressing datum, wherein the message is received from a second communication device; and

an analyzing logic searching for data from the parsed message, other than the incomplete addressing datum, to assist in completing the incomplete addressing datum.

(Claim 1, as amended).

In contrast to claim 1, Nixon does not suggest or disclose parsing a *message*, received from a communication device, to extract incomplete addressing datum. Instead, Nixon discloses parsing telephone numbers that have been input, and/or selected (e.g., manually), by a user. For example, Nixon discloses a system and method for processing telephone numbers using canonical telephone numbers (e.g., complete and unique telephone numbers).

According to Nixon, a user enters, or selects a previously entered, telephone number. If the telephone number is a canonical telephone number (e.g., complete, including country code, etc.), then a comparator compares the canonical number to the user-caller's canonical number to determine a proper telephone number for the call. If, however, the telephone number selected or entered is incomplete, an expansion analyzer analyzes the incomplete number to determine whether numbers need to be added, or taken away, in order for the telephone number to be a proper number for the call. In any case, Nixon discloses a system that operates on telephone numbers that have been input or entered into the system, and then selected by the user-caller. Nixon does not disclose or suggest parsing a *message*, received from a communication device, to extract incomplete addressing datum.

Moreover, Nixon does not disclose or suggest searching for data from the parsed message, other than the incomplete addressing datum, to assist in completing the incomplete addressing datum. Instead, Nixon utilizes canonical telephone numbers stored in a telephone book storage area to complete incomplete telephone numbers input or selected by a user.

As Nixon does not disclose each and every limitation of claim 1, Nixon does not anticipate claim 1. For at least the reasons stated above, independent claims 1, 8 and 15, as well as dependent claims 2 – 7, 9 – 14, and 16 - 21 are not anticipated by Nixon. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims.

Dependent Claims 3, 10 and 17, are not anticipated by Nixon, because Nixon does not disclose each and every limitation of claims 3, 10 and 17.

Claim 3 states:

The method of claim 1, wherein the incomplete addressing datum is a partial email address.

(Claim 3).

The Examiner has suggested that Nixon discloses the limitation of dependent claim 3. Specifically, in the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, the Examiner stated:

Nixon teaches an apparatus, machine-readable medium, and method ... wherein the incomplete addressing datum is a partial email address(*col. 11 line 45-col. 12 line 35; cited*

*number 2065551234 is a partial email address of e.g.
2065551234@tmobile.net)*

(Office Action mailed October 7, 1005).

Applicants submit Nixon does not disclose or suggest that the incomplete addressing datum is a partial email address. The number “2065551234” referred to in Nixon is provided as an example of a telephone number. Nixon does not expressly state, or inherently suggest, that the number “2065551234” is part of an email address. Although the Examiner has provided an example of an email address utilizing the number, “2065551234”, Nixon does not disclose or suggest that incomplete address datum is a partial email address.

Because Nixon does not disclose or suggest the limitation, Nixon does not anticipate claims 3, 10 and 17. Accordingly, Applicants submit that dependent claims 3, 10 and 17 are in a condition for allowance.

Dependent Claims 6, 13 and 20, are not anticipated by Nixon, because Nixon does not disclose each and every limitation of claims 6, 13 and 20.

Claim 6 states:

The method of claim 1, wherein the first communication device is to receive the message from the second communication device via a wireless communication.

(Claim 3).

The Examiner has suggested that Nixon discloses the limitation of dependent claim 6. Specifically, in the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, the Examiner cited lines 56 – 67 of column 4 of Nixon, which states:

The invention is embodied in a system 10, shown in the functional block diagram of FIG. 1. The system 10 is coupled to a telephone exchange 12 by any number of well known connectors such as a modular plug (not shown). The system 10 may also be remotely coupled to the telephone exchange 12, as is the case with portable or cellular telephones. As used herein, the telephone exchange 12 includes any network capable of routing calls, such as a local exchange carrier (LEC), and interchange carrier (IXC), a private branch exchange (PBX), a Centrix facility, or any public or private telephone network. ...

(Nixon, Col. 4, Lines 56 -65).

The passage cited by the Examiner refers to portable or cellular telephones. However, the passage does not disclose or suggest that a message is sent from a first communication device to a second communication device via a wireless communication. Consequently, Nixon does not disclose or suggest a first communication device is to receive the message from the second communication device via a wireless communication, as is recited in claim 6.

Because Nixon does not disclose or suggest the limitation, Nixon does not anticipate claims 6, 13 and 20. Accordingly, Applicants submit that dependent claims 6, 13 and 20 are in a condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections and rejections have been addressed and that the application is now in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2638 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such an extension.

Respectfully submitted,



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